Albany, March 9 (Special).-It is expected that the legislature will this week make manifest its policy upon several of the leading measures of legislation now before it. For several days, by parliamentary objections, which Speaker Nixon has ruled well taken, a test vote has been prevented in the Assembly upon the bill of Mr. Weekes, of New-York, for submitting to the people at the polls this fall the proposition to expend \$37,500,000 in the improvement of the Erie, the Oswego and the Champlain Canal. It seems likely that the bill will be passed by the Assembly, but, unfortunately for its friends, Speaker Nixon comes from an anticanal county. Mr. Nixon therefore cannot be ex-

pected to favor it. There are also rumors that Jotham P. Allds, the Republican leader in the Assembly, will attempt to amend the bill with a provision that the Chenango Canal be improved. That canal is a lateral ene, which has long since been abandoned, and if Mr. Allds made any suggestion for its improvement he must have been joking. Nevertheless, the friends of the Canal bill do not count upon his supporting it nor that they will receive aid from Otto Keisey, of Livingston County, nor James T. Rogers, of Broome County, two other influential Republican

THESE WILL AID THE BILL.

If the Canal bill passes the Assembly it will be by a combination of Republicans and Democrats. As usual, the New-York City and Buffalo members, irrespective of party, favor the Canal Im-provement bill. Aid for the bill will also come from Assemblymen living along the line of the Erie, the Champlain, and the Oswego Canal. The supporters of the Canal bill in the Assembly seem disposed to accept the amendment to it made at the request of Assemblyman T. D. Lewis, of Oswego County, chairman of the Assembly Canal ittee, appropriating \$5,500,000 for the improvement of the Oswego Canal. Opposition to this appropriation for the Oswego Canal may be expected, however, when the bill reaches the Senate, since the Senate Canal Committee has presented a which appropriates only sufficient money-\$31,500,000 -for the improvement of the Erie and the Champlain Canal. Assemblyman Lewis, nevertheless, counts on the influence of Senator Stranahan, of Felton, Oswego County, in the Senate, and hopes that because of his influence the Senate will accede to a proposition to expend \$5,500,000 in the improvement of the Oswego Canal.

Speaking about his amendment for the improve

ent of the Oswego Canal a few days ago Mr.

Lewis said:

There is a prospect that the Welland Canal of Canada will be made free from toils. If that happens grain laden American vessels can pass through the canal from Lake Erie to Lake Ontario and then come to Oswego. That would then be the shortest route to New-York from the Great Lakes. In any case, the legislature ought to improve the Oswego Canal and thus aid those who would build a canal on American soil from Buffalo to Lake Ontario. Why, we have 13 miles of good, navigable water on Lake Ontario between the mouth of the Niagara River and Oswego. Canal barges could make far better speed on the lake than they could on a canal between Buffalo and Syracuse, for instance, and a decrease of the time consumed in transporting grain from Chicago or Duluth to New-York would permit of a decrease of the charge of transportation. My judgment is that the Oswego Canal should by all means be improved.

THE MORTGAGE TAX BILL.

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The legislature also will indicate this week its policy in dealing with Senator Stranahan's Mortgage Tax bill. That bill was amended upon Friday last by the Senate to provide that the tax to be paid under it shall go to the localities where it shall be collected. The amendment removes the chief objection made to the bill by the rural members of the legislature, who have been saying that these localities could not afford to surrender to the State the money they now derive from taxing mortgages. But there are members of the legislature from rural communities, chiefly Assemblymen, who are opposed to any modification of the present mortgage taxation laws. The big vote by which the amendment was made to the bill in the Senate on Friday, under witch the revenues collected by the mortgage tax law will go to the several localities, seems to indicate, however, that the bill will pass the Senate. The opposition to the bill has been in the Assembly, led by Spenker Nixon and Assemblyman Kelsoy, and there whatever opposition remains to the bill after its amendment will still be found. The Assembly Railroad Committee will hold an executive meeting to-morrow night to consider the bills of Assemblymen Apgar and Walnwright providing for the abolition of the use of steam as a motive power by locomotives in the Fourth-ave, tunnel. It is anticipated that before to-morrow night to convenient when the convenient wayer Low will indicate which bill in the interest of the city ought to be passed.

NOTES OF CANADIAN NEWS.

WHAT VISIT OF PRINCE OF WALES COST DOMINION-ONLY ZI DIVORCES IN THIRTY-FOUR YEARS.

Ottawa, Ont., March 9 (Special).-The supplementary estimates, placed before Parliament by Mr. Fielding, Finance Minister, show that the tour in Canada last autumn of the Prince and Princess of

Since confederation was instituted, thirty-four years ago, the Dominion has expended upon her canals \$74,532,563, and the total revenue during the same period is \$12,717,343. There is considerable indignation among the mem-

bers of Parliament over the fact that the Minnesota Land and Colonization Company, of St. Paul, has secured a tract of about fifteen million acres of land from the Canadian Pacific Railway Company and the Canada Northern Land Company. These lands are said to embrace some of the best wheat lands in the Northwest, in the Alameda, Arcola, Esterau and adjacent regions in Southern Assiniboia. The company has already made application to the Manitona Legislature for a charter, with a capital of

The taking of the Dominion census has already cost the country \$948,410, and the supplementary estimates tabled call for a further allowance of \$150,000, making a total, in round numbers, of \$1,400,-

\$150,000, making a total, in round numbers, of \$1,400,600. Canada's increase in population in the last ten
years was only \$26,000, and it is costing \$1,500,000 in
solid cash, or \$3 a head of the income, to learn and
record that she has done so poorly.

Dr. Borden, Minister of Milittla, has given notice
that in future no recruit will be accepted in the
militia of Canada who does not show a reasonable
aptitude in learning the use of the rifle. 'Rifle
shooting is the backbone, the very first requisite,
of a militiatman," he says.

The contract between the government and the
American Bank Note Company, of New-York, for
the printing of government bank notes, postage and
revenue stamps has been renewed for five years.

During last year bills of divorce as follows were
granted in Canada: Ontario, 2; Quebec, 1; Northwest Territories, 1; Nova Scotia, 5; New-Brunswick,
5; Brittsh Columbia, 2. In the thirty-four years
since confederation there have been granted by
Parliament and the courts 271 divorces in the whole
Dominion of Canada.

Mr. Tarie, Minister of Public Works, has given
notice that a royal mint is to be built at Nepean
Point, near the printing bureau, at a cost of \$400,000.

AMERICAN BANKS IN MEXICO.

NEW INSTITUTIONS TO MEET THE DEMANDS OF EXPANDING COMMERCE.

Mexico City, March 9.-American activity in extending banking facilities here attracts notice. The new State Bank of Chiapas, a remote point on the Guatemalan border, has been opened for business with \$500,000 capital. The new Bank of Orizaba, with a paid up capital of \$150,000, is also a new American institution, the stock being held here in this city. Orizaba is now an important industrial centre, and hitherto has lacked banking accommolations. There is talk of establishing an American

bank in the famous mining city of Pachuca.

All American banks in the country are flourish ing, and there is a rumor of the ultimate consolica-tion of these institutions, making one great Ameri-can bank, commensurate with the growing impor-tance of commercial relations with the United States. Many new companies for business in this country have recently been organized in the United States and in England.

The German Bank will establish a branch here, as Germans desire to have a bank of their own, and as they are an important factor in the com-merce of the country they can easily support it. ing, and there is a rumor of the ultimate consolida-

VAN NESS BAPTIZED IN THE JORDAN. Middletown, N. Y., March 9.-Word has reached here that Cornelius Van Ness, the octogenarian millionaire of Port Jervis, formerly of New-York has been baptized in the River Jordan by the Rev William K. Hail, of Newburg, N. Y. Mr. and Mrs. Van Ness salled on the steamer Celtic for a trip to the Orient, his desire being to gratify an ambition of years to be baptized in the Jordan.

FLOODS FEARED IN INDIANA.

Evansville, Ind., March 2.-There is great alarm here over the high water. At 9 o'clock to-night the river stood at 29.6 feet, and was still rising. It is almost certain a stage of 41 feet will be reached. Farmers in the lowlends are trying to save their corn in crib. Several sawmills along Green River are submerged, and the loss will be large.

STATUS OF THE CANAL BILL ARMED GUARDS STILL ON CARS.

NORFOLK STRIKERS DISLIKE ARBITRATION DECISION AND AWAIT RICHMOND DEVELOPMENTS.

Norfolk, Va., March 9.-From present indications the streetcar strike is by no means over. It is very probable that the strikers will not accept the terms of settlement named by the arbitration committee of the Chamber of Commerce last night. The strikers and the company agreed to accept the decision. The main objection of the strikers is that they are required to work with non-union men that only 85 per cent of them will be re-employed, and that they must sign the surety company bond. The cars ran to-day under military guard, to-night the guard was doubled. The riot of last night was the flercest since the strike started, and several soldiers and citizens were injured.

"Sam" Kelly, a strike leader, boarded a car to-day and abused a non-union conductor. A fight with the guard followed, and Kelly was clubbed over the head with a rifle butt. He was badly cut, over the head with a rifle butt. He was badly cut, and when carried to police headquarters was covered with blood. Later he was bailed for appearance in court to-morrow. The general opinion regarding the arbitration committee's decision is that it is entirely in favor of the company. The officers of the company are satisfied.

The strikers here are awaiting developments in Richmond, and if there is a strike there the strike here will surely continue. The city is quiet tonight, and the striking electrical workers have nearly all returned to work.

BOXERS AND CHINESE EXCLUSION.

CHINESE VICE-CONSUL SAYS ORIENTAL MOVEMENT WAS NO WORSE THAN THE ONE IN THIS COUNTRY.

Orange, N. J., March 9 (Special).-Speaking in the St. Cloud Presbyterian Churco, West Orange, this morning Lock Wing, the Chinese vice-consul at New-York, declared that the Boxer movement in China was no worse than the Chinese exclusion movement in the United States. The St. Cloud church is attended by many New-York business men, and John Crosby Brown is superintendent of its Sunday school. During his stay in West Orange Mr. Wing was the guest of Judge John B. Lander.

It was the vice-consul's first appearance in a pulpit, and he was apparently nervous at first, but soon regained his composure, and spoke at some length of the teachings of Confucius. Then, after stating that the pastor, the Rev. Robert Gardner McGregor, had asked him to express his opinion of the Boxer movement, Mr. Wing said:

Gardner McGregor, had asked him to express his opinion of the Boxer movement, Mr. Wing said:

I have no sympathy with the Boxer movement. I have no sympathy with ignorance of any kind. But the Boxer movement in China is no worse than those movements in the United States where ignorance and prejudice lower the moral status of those who come from distant lands. The United States who come from distant lands. The United States is not free from oppression, as you undoubtedly know if you have read of recent occurrences. Let us lift man higher and higher, and not degrade him. Confucius taught ages and ages ago the great and golden rule, and while Christianity has aided and developed the doctrines of China's great teacher, we should not forget that Confucius taught the doctrines which have made permanent the Chinese Empire. Dynastles have fallen, but China still remains.

The exclusion set which bars my countrymen from coming to your shores is as barbarous a measure as one could conceive of, and totally at variance with your ideals, and, above all, your Christianity. What is Christianity if it does not Christianity. What is Christianity if it does not Christianity. What is Christianity in order to show China that it needs Christianity, must first of all be its exponent and live up to the principles of the Great Master. China has had all kinds of "Isms" thrust upon it, but I have learned that "Christianism," if it be good for the individual, is good for the nation.

China needs your help for its progress, and I believe that by lending the helping hand you will be doing a Christian service—helping them to become better men and better women. Between this country and China closer relations must come, and may justice be the star which shall guide this nation to look with favor upon all that is good in the development of my country.

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

MINIATURE ALMANAC. Sunrise 6:22 Sunset 6:01 Moon sets 6:57 p m Moon's age 1 HIGH WATER. A.M.—Sandy Hook 7:36 Gov. Island 8:08 Hell Gate 10:01 P.M.—Sandy Hook 8:05 Gov. Island 8:27 Hell Gate 10:20

> INCOMING STEAMERS. TO-DAY.

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PORT OF NEW-YORK, SUNDAY, MARCH 9, 1902. ARRIVED.

SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVED.

Steamer Buffalo (Br), Loveridge, Hull February 22, with mase to Sanderson & Son. Arrived at the Bar at 11 p m. March 8, Steamer Pretoria (Ger), Karlowa, Hamburg February 23, Boulogne and Plymouth 25, with mase, 109 cabln and 2,205 steerage passengers to the Hamburg-American Line, Arrived at the Bar at 12:45 p m. Steamer Higo (Nor), Pederson, Vita February 27 and Nuevitas March 2, with sugar to W D Munson. Arrived at the Bar at 10:20 p m, March 8. Steamer Callisto (Dutch), Wiebes, Santos February 12 and St Lucia 28, with mase to Norton & Son. Arrived at the Bar at 8 a m. Steamer Nedenos (Nor), Svennington, Clenfuegos March 1, with sugar to W D Munson. Arrived at the Bar at 2 p m. p m. Steamer Jamestown, Tapley, Newport News and Nor-k, with mase and passengers to the Old Dominion tolk, with mass and passengers.
Sa Co. Hook, N J. March 9, 9:30 p m—Wind west;
Bandy Hook, N J. March 9, 9:30 p m—Wind west;
moderate breeze; partly cloudy.

Steamers Adler (Br), Kingston Jamaica; Berka, with I barge, from Boston for Philadelphia; Bucentaur (Br), Cape Town, East London, etc. Campordown (Br), Norfolk; Chesapeake, Baitimore; Gulf Stream, Philadelphia; Guyandotte, Norfolk and Newport News; Helios (Ger), Flushing; Nacoochee, Savannah; Queen Louise (Br), Bombar

THE MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

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FOREIGN PORTS.

Prawle Point, March 9.—Passed, steamers Consuelo (Br), Watson, New-York for Gravesend and Hull; Haverford (Br), Nielsen, Antwerp for New-York.

Moville, March 9.—Salled, steamer Furnessia (Br), Baxter, from Glasgow for New-York.

Kinsale, New-York for Liverpool.

Queenstown, March 9. 9:15 a m—Salled, steamer Nomadio (Br), Atkins, from Liverpool for New-York.

Liverpool, March 8.—Salled, steamers Nomadio (Br), Atkins, New-York via Queenstown; Merion (Br, new), for Boston via Queenstown; Merion (Br), Baxter, New-York via Moville.

Antwerp, March 8.—12 noon—Salled, steamer Zeeland (Br), Roberts, New-York (and passed Lizard at 10 p m, March 9).

Horta, Fayal, March 9, 6 p m—Arrived, steamer Etruria (Br), McKay, New-York for Liverpool.



IN THE WORLD OF SPORTS.

FACTS ABOUT AMATEURS AND PROFES-SIONALS.

A HUNDRED MILE AUTOMOBILE CONTEST-THE GROWTH OF HOCKEY-NOTES AND COMMENTS.

With the breaking up of winter the general in terest in automobiling promises to revive. The present winter has been a severe one for owners of self-propelled vehicles, as it has been for all outdoor sports and recreations, with the possible exception of skating and kindred sports. The members of the Automobile Club of America are already preparing some contests for the coming season, the first of which will take place on Me



JAMES ROBINSON. The Princeton trainer.

morial Day. This competition will be a hundred mile test, with no step allowed, in which speed will play practically no part. The start will be made from the clubhouse, Fifty-eighth-st. and Fifth-ave., and the course will extend fifty miles to a point near Bridgeport, Conn., and back over the same route to the clubbouse. Reliability and endurance will be the underlying principles of the contest. The contest will be open to all self-pro-pelled vehicles made in this country or abroad, so constructed that two passengers are carried seated side by side. No manufacturer or owner will be allowed to start more than three machines in the contest. The entries will close on March 24. All entries must be accompanied by the following information in full:

Weight of the vehicle, including fuel, supplies and equipment, water capacity, gasolene capacity; name of manufacturer; place of manufacture; make and size of tires; number of passengers the vehicle can carry; motive power; rated horse-power of the motor, number of cylinders, bore, length of stroke, and number of revolutions at normal speed. For electric vehicles: Weight of bottery; number of cells; ampere hour capacity. bettery; number of cells; ampere hour capacity.

Every vehicle driven by an explosive motor must have its water tank and gasolene tank full at the time of the start. On the return of such vehicle at the finish here the gasolene tank will be refilled, and the amount of gasolene required for such purpose accurately measured and recorded.

Every vehicle driven by steam must at the start have the gasolene and water tanks fixed full. At thirty-three and one-third miles from the start the water and gasolene tanks will be filled full and a tecord kept of the same. At sixty-six and two-thirds miles from the start the water and gasolene tanks will be filled full and a record kept of the



MAX HORNFECK. The plucky little forward, New-York A. C.

same. On finishing the run the water and gaso-lene tanks will be again filled full and a record kept of the same. It is said that more electric vehicles will be started in the competition than was the case in

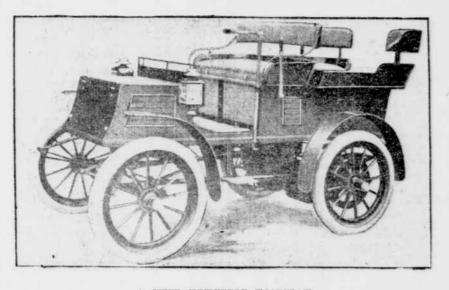
similar contests last year. Some machines seating four people and others capable of carrying six will be entered in the test.

Those who have closely watched the hockey championship games here cannot help having noticed the material improvement shown in the work of the players in both the Amateur Hockey League and in the intercollegiate championship struggles. Three games are scheduled for this week, each of which will pack the St. Nicholas Rink to the doors in almost any kind of weather.

Hockey Club teams. On Friday and Saturday evenings the Yale and Harvard teams will meet to decide the intercollegiate championship, and standing room will be at a premium. The Yale sympathizers believe that the New-Haven players will pathizers believe that the New-Haven players will prove to be too fast for their Cambridge opponents and that a third game will not be necessary. The Harvard team is much heavier than the Yale seven, but not quite as aggressive and speedy on the ice. With another Winsor in the Harvard line Yale's chances would not look so bright. The game on Saturday night between the Crescent Athletic Club and Hockey Club teams was one of the flercest ever seen in this district, the men being or the ice two hours, instead of the required forty minutes when no interruptions take place. A defeat for the Crescents meant their retirement from any chance to retain the championship, and Wall and his men played as they have not done before this year. The winner of the game on Thursday will then meet the Crescents for the championship. Two players who have won honors this year are the entries in the tournament.

The bicycle exports this year start with a rush, which the manufacturers consider a particularly bright omen. January was a record breaker in its way. Not only was the total almost the fax to the championship. Two players who have won honors this year are ticularly bright omen. January was a record breaker in its way. Not only was the total almost month of the previous year, but the gains were general, and as large as they were general. England's purchases increased more than 100 per cent. France and Germany's nearly 300 per cent each.

nament for the world's championship will be on, and for two weeks, with Wednesday and Satur day matiness, the contest between some of the best pool playing experts in America will be waged. best pool playing experts in America will be waged. William H. Clearwater. Ellwood. Penn.; Jerome R. Keogh. Buffalo; William E. McCune. Boston, and Patrick H. Walsh. The Bronx. New-York. former champions; H. P. Stofft. Cleveland. Ohlo, champion of the Middle West; Charles Weston, cowboy player, of Wyoming, champion of the West; Irving Long, Nashville. Tenn. champion of the South, and Grant Eby and William Wenrick, former champions and well known Broadway room experts, are the entries in the tournament.



A NEW ELECTRIC TONNEAU.

would be classed as about the best all around player in the Amateur League. Hornfeck is the smallest man in any of the lengues, and one of the best players. He is speedy and active, and hard knocks have no terrors for him. He will check a rival player twice his size, and always comes out of such collisions with a smile on his face.

Professional trainers and coaches are in greater demand at present than was the case at this time last year. Most of the colleges have employed will take the field this week if the weather will permit. "Mike" Murphy, generally recognized as the peer of any trainer in this country, is busy at work with the Yale baseball players and is confident that he will have them in good physical training when the season begins in earnest. Robinson, the veteran, is looking after the Princeton candidates and says he will be able to put a strong team in the field. Robinson's methods have been criticised in the past, but his friends are loyal and the players in his charge generally respect his knowledge of physical training. "Andy" O'Day, the coach of the Wisconsin crew, was in the city yesterday and reports that the track and field athletic season in the West promises to be lively this year. will take the field this week if the weather will

While the snow this week proved to be a hardship district all hope that the occasional bright bursts



L. BELDEN. The fastest skater in Amateur Hockey League

of sunshine seen two or three times yesterday will become general this week so that they will be able to get their charges on the track and road by the latter part of the week. Few of the thoroughbreds are as far advanced in their work as their trainers expected to have them at this time. The campaigners who have been racing regularly at New-Orleans and California ought to have much the best of the argument at the meetings at Bennings and Aqueduct. Crities predict that some of the horses will not be in shape even for the Westchester meeting at Morris Park. The stakes for the Saratoga meeting will close to-day, including the Saratoga Handicap, the Saratoga Cup, the Champion, Merchants and Citizens' Handicap, the Delaware, the Amsterdam, the Catskill, the Saranac, the Huron, the Seneca and the Montauk. These specials will be for two-year-olds: Saratoga Special, Adirondack, Albany and Troy. The steeplechases include the Ballston, the Beverwyck and the Trouble. to get their charges on the track and road by the

There is a chance that the baseball tangle in the National League may be partly straightened out this week. The rival factions have kept remarkably quiet recently, which is a pretty sure indication that the club owners have not been idle. In tion that the club owners have not been idle. In the baseball world quiet among the owners means just the reverse significance when encountered in other branches of the sporting world. The hearing in the injunction case is expected to be heard to-morrow, but it would surprise no one if another postponement was asked for by one side or the other. James Hart, the president of the Chicago club, has been in California recently, in consultation with A. G. Spalding, the president of the league, and those who seek to have professional baseball purified trust that something tangible will come out of that conference. The trust scheme is dead, anyway—a blessing for the future prosperity of professional baseball in this country.

H. S., City: The statement you refer to was not printed in The Tribune. In regard to "tips," it is largely a question of opinion. As a general thing, it is a bad investment on which to bet real money,

A figure skating competition will be held under the auspices of the Skating Club, of Brooklyn, at the Clermont-ave. rink on next Thursday afternoon and evening. Sanction has been given by tue National Amateur Skating Association. Invitations to compete have been sent to Arthur Keane of the New-York Athletic Club, the present champion of Canada and the United States; W. E. Duffy, Irving Brokaw, V. L. Shultz, the winner of the novice contest last year, and a number of other prominent figure skaters. Owing to the agreement between the American and Canadian associations, by which the national figure skating championship is held every alternate year in Canada, the contest will take place at Montreal this year, providing it is hed at all. It is, however, doubtful if any contest will be held, and the Brooklyn tournament has been arranged to give figure skaters an opportunity to show their prowess and keep in practice. Up to the present time eight entries have been received, and several more are expected, and the meet promises to be a successful one. Entries can be sent to Clifford E. Dunn, chairman, Park Row Building, New-York. nion of Canada and the United States; W. E. Duffy.

When Stofft and Weston, Keogh and Walsh The first meeting will be the game on Thursday cross cues in the new academy hall, Montauk night between the New-York Athletic Club and Building, Brookiyn, this evening, the neel tour

while the other countries of Europe also bettered their records. In the Far East, Japan, the East Indies and Australia "looked up" substantially, while Africa held its own. The losses were all small ones, and were scattered mainly throughout Latin America, and even in this direction Argen tina also improved on its record of January of last year. With January the government statistics re-vert to the fiscal year which ends with June. For the seven months of this period the record is also inspiring, the total being some \$168,000 over last

Hamburg, where the greatest interest is taken in sports of all kinds, and where the German Derby is decided, is about to celebrate its jubilee, or the fiftieth year of its existence. The Hamburger Renn Club (established in 1852) has just issued a complete programme, particularly attractive to those who are fond of international racing with a prospect of profit. Both the spring and the summer meetings at Hamburg include contests open to all comers. The former begins on April 27, while the latter-even nore liberally framed as regards added moneybegins on June 15, extending over five days. pegins on June 19, extending over live days. In principal contests are reserved for the Jublice Day, June 19, when there is a handicap of 1,500 sovereigns added and a hunters' race, of the same value, for gentlemen riders. In most of the international contests reserves are made for trainers, who receive premiums.

J. Morgan, who was the first American jockey to get a mount in Austria, is said to be in treaty with a Russian owner destrous of retaining his services in 1992. Should the actual negotiations fall through, Morgan has had an offer made him to ride in Austria for the stable of Baron Springer. A regular meeting of the Metropole Cycle Club

will be held on Thursday, March 13, at No. 10 West

Sixtleth-st. It is desirable that every member at-tend, and by his presence lend aid in carrying out the purpose of the organization. An intimate friend of J. A. H. Dressel said last night that Mr. Dressel had been summoned to appear before the Judiciary Committeee of the Senate at Albany one day this week to substantiate his

charges of bribery made regarding the passage of the Pigeon Shooting bill. Mr. Dressel is the pro-prietor of Interstate Park, Long Island, and the manager of the Sportsmen's Show.

YACHTING.

SING SING CLUB CHANGES ITS NAME.

Justice Keogh, of the Supreme Court, at White Plains, has granted an order changing the name of the Sing Sing Yacht Club to the Shattemue Yacht and Canoe Club of Ossining, the change to take effect on April 1. This was brought about through the changing of the name of the village from Sing Indian tribe which dwelt on the shores of the Tappan Zee, and was more recently known as the name of the local canoeing contingent, which has been incorporated with the yachting element of the neighborhood.

The annual meeting of the organization was held last week, when the following were elected officers and committees for the ensuing year: Commodore, and committees for the ensuing year: Commodore, Ralph Brandreth; vice-commedore, Gilbert M. Todd; rear commodore, Dr. Edward B. Sherwood; secretary, Robert T. Dennis; treasurer, William M. Carpenter; measurer, Roger M. Haddock; trustees, Dr. Edward B. Sherwood, S. Olin Washburne, George F. Secor. Governing committee—J Herbert Carpenter, chairman; Gilbert M. Todd, William I. Townsend, T. Henry Calam, Albert R. Genet. Committee on admission—Colonel Franklin Brandreth, chairman; William I. Townsend, Francis Larkin, fr. Edwin L. Todd, T. Henry Calam. Auditing committee—William C. Kipp, chairman; T. Henry Calam Milton C. Palmer. Regatta committee—William E. Barlow, chairman; Robert T. Dennis, William M. Carpenter, House committee—James Bedell, chairman; A. Fred Carpenter, Remsen W. Nourse, S. Olin Washburne, Roger M. Haddock.

MADDEN BUYS COLONEL BILL.

INV TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNG 1 Lexington, Ky., March 9.-John E. Madden has bought from Colonel W. L. Simons the four-yearold racehorse Colonel Bill, by imp. Wagner, dam Ametia T., by imp. Billet. Colonel Bill raced well last season at Bennings and other tracks.

SUFFERING IN OKLAHOMA.

MANY DESTITUTE FAMILIES IN THE NEWLY OPENED COUNTRY.

Wichita, Kan., March 9 (Special).-Dozens of cases of starvation and hundreds of destitute families are being found in the newly opened Oklahoma country. All of them are persons who drew farms in the last free land opening at El Reno last August. Their supply of cash has run out, and, not being able to get loans upon their property to tide them over until the first crop is marketed, they find themselves in dire need. The farms, although they have title to them, are not subject to loans until the property has been lived upon the required fourteen months. So in this way the persons who drew farms free are as poor as those who did not. The season has been a cold one for Oklahoma, and families living in tents have died from cold.

On few of the claims are there anything like substantial houses, the majority of the settlers living in rude tents, otherwise in half tent and half house Perhaps a house may have a wooden floor and frame sides, but the roofs are invariably of cloth. The stock is required to stay out in the winds and storms.

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Business is dull in all of the new towns, and there are many failures. The commercial agencies have as yet been unable to get ratings of the merchants, and many firms refuse to send their salesmen into the territory opened last fail until these requirements are filled. There was a grand rush to begin with, and as a consequence every line was overdone. As the rush died out hundreds, even thousands, quit the new country, thus leaving the merchants without the customers they anticipated. The settlers living on farms were forced to spend all of their savings to get through the early winter, which was extremely cold, and early spring finds them in truly pitiful circumstances. Every day three or four cases of starvation, destitution and suffering are brought to the attention of the officers at Lawton, but the latter can do nothing, as there are no county funds available. Several mass meetings have been held and public appeals for ald issued. If the settlers can get through until crops begin to grow they will be all right and will prosper.

THE DIFFERENCE. From The Philadelphia Record.

"It is a mistake to imagine that all men are equal." says the Manayunk Philosopher. "Some men can make lots more kinds of fools of them-selves than others."

GOOD FOR LIFE. From The Philadelphia Record.

The professional reformer is justified in feeling that he has a steady job for the rest of his life.

GOLF.

SPECIAL MEETING OF NATIONAL ASSO-CIATION DEFERRED UNTIL SPRING -CHAMPIONSHIP DATES.

In all probability R. H. Robertson, president of the United States Golf Association, will not call the special meeting to act on the proposed changes in the constitution until May. There is no immediate The dicycle exports this year start with a rush, which the manufacturers consider a particularly bright omen. January was a record fuller consideration by the allied clubs of the questions a 100 per cent increase over the corresponding the month of the previous year, but the gains were the national championships, and, according to the schedule prepared, the amateur tournament will be held at Glenview July 15 to 19 inclusive, the women's at the Country Club of Brookline during women's at the Country Club of Brookline during the week beginning September 23, and the open at Garden City on Friday and Saturday. October 10 and 11. Though the Brookline organization had expressed an unwillingness to ask for the women's championship, the executive committee feit that in view of the showing made by Boston players last season the championship should be held in their terrifory, and as Brookline is Boston's most representative club the committee prevailed upon its management to reconsider the first decision and accept the award. Seven of the sixteen who qualified in last year's championship at Baltusrol were entered from Boston, and four of the prizes were bestowed upon women from the New-England group of clubs. The Brookline course is particularly adapted to a women's tournament, its putting greens being large and true and its playing length only 5,500 yards.

WESTCHESTER FINALS POSTPONED.

Saturday's storm prevented a decision in the final round of the Westchester Golf Club's tournament cheduled for the afternoon of that day. The round will be played next Saturday if the weather is favorable. The survivors for the cup are George Fox Tiffany and R. L. Redfield, and they are to play thirty-six holes at match play for the special February Cup. The March schedule has been considerably broken up by storms, but the postponed matches will take place next month.

WEE BURN CLUB ELECTS OFFICERS. At the annual meeting of the Wee Burn Golf Club, of Noroton, Conn., last week the following Club, of Noroton, Conn., last week the following officers were chosen: President, John D. Crimmins: vice-president, E. E. Bruggerhof; secretary and treasurer, Wilson L. Baldwin; greens committee, E. E. Bruggerhof, A. H. Smith and C. H. Seeley; house committee, A. S. Pitt, J. S. Jenkins and C. W. Maury; handicap committee, J. T. Williams, ir. Schuyler Merritt and Malcoim R. Pitt; membership committee, S. W. Smith, W. D. Daskam and Dr. H. J. White.

FOX HILLS GOLFERS TO DINE.

There is to be a dinner for the members of the

Fox Hills Golf Club on Wednesday evening at

Muschenheim's restaurant. The object of the dinner, according to Mortimer M. Singer, the former Fox Hills captain, is to enable the members to discuss plans for the coming season and pass upon plans already outlined by the board of management. It is the intention of the latter to make the dinner an annual fixture.

BASEBALL. PRINCETON TO START BALL ROLLING

ON MARCH 22.

Princeton, N. J., March 9 (Special) .- Forty candidates from the four classes are now practising daily at the 'varsity cage and striving to win the coveted positions on Old Nassau's baseball nine. The forty-odd candidates from the freshman class were weeded out on Monday and only ten of those youths remain on the squad, which now represents the best baseball material that can be found among the undergraduates. The season may be said to have been regularly started on Wednesday, when the players from the three upper classes put in their appearance at the case to come under the instructions of Coach Clarke and Captain Stein-

Coach Clarke set the candidates to work with a few words on the essential points that were to be observed in this preliminary practice. He stated observed in this preliminary practice. He stated that quickness in all the positions was especially needed, and that an effort would be made to have the players back up one another, and thus develop teamwork as far as possible before the early games come off. The work thus far has been of a light order, but it will be made a few points harder on Monday. The first game will be played with the Rutgers nine on March 22, and practice will be held outdoors as soon as the weather permits.

The following is a list of the candidates who are now trying for the team: Pitchers, Underhill, Stevens, Vall. C. Unger, Montcomery, Duff. Newman and Kafer: catchers, Green, R. McClave, Clark and Delaney, infielders, Eaton, Loewnstein, Forstall, Denison, Rinehart, J. P. Sousa, Forsythe, Cormany, Purneil, Pearson, Wells, Freeman, Dunscombe, Upton, Meier and Steinwender: outfielders, Brown, Cosgrave, C. Campbell, G. Shafer, Roys, Bours, Mullen, Sayen, Wright, Condict, Amell, Pyne, Preston, Satterwhite, Childrens, G. Poe, Lichtenberger, D. Edwards, Higgins, Spuergin, Trowbridge and S. Koch.

BASEBALL AT FORDHAM. OUTDOOR WORK DEPENDS ON THE

WEATHER. In the absence of Fred Smith, last season's baseball practice at Forunam, and has the dates at work every day in the college gymnasium. Field practice will be started as soon as the weather permits.

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LAFAYETTE PLAYING SCHEDULE.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.] Easton, Penn., March 9.—Manager Salmon auplayed by the Lafayette baseball team during the

oming season: March 22—Georgetown, at Washington, D. C. March 24—University of North Carolina, at Chapel Hill, N. C. March 25—University of North Carolina, at Chapel

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April 23—Princeton, at Princeton.
April 25—Fordham, at Fordham.
April 26—Fordham, at Fordham.
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May 2—West Point, at West Point,
May 7—Dickinson, at Carlisle.
May 10—Columbia, at Easton.
May 14—Yale, at New-Haven.
May 17—Lehigh, at South Bethlehem.
May 24—Bucknell, at Easton.
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QUIET AT GARDEN SHOW.

THE CANOE PROCESSION POPULAR WITH VISITORS.

of the notable features of the sportsmen's show from a popular point of view, and one of the most attractive and picturesque, is the fleet of canoes on the stream surrounding the wooded island. These birch bark craft, propelled by Indians in war paint, feather and buckskin, have been in such demand by visitors to the show who desire to make the circuit of the island by the water route that the number of canoes, although doubled on Friday last, was inadequate to acco the great crowd that pressed about the shores of the stream on Saturday.

A pair of moose loaned to the association by William C. Whitney are sharing honors with the musk ox and the big game exhibits. Both moose and musk ox seem to have settled down to their unusual surroundings, and stand in the curious gaze of the thousands of visitors without apparent embarrassment. The moose are fine specimens of their species, and at the close of this show will be shipped to Mr. Whitney's preserve.

"I am indeed sorry," said Thomas Regan Saturday evening, "that Mr. Whitney's engagements in the South have detained him. He feels a great interest in the principles of the National Sportsmen's Association, and the protection of our game and forest lands, and I know he would enjoy this show greatly. I trust, however, he will be able to be here before the exhibition closes."

While no visitors were admitted to the Garden yesterday, the occasion was embraced by some of the exhibitors to put on a few finishing touches. The competitions promise to be more interesting this week, and the bagpine player less vigorous. A pair of moose loaned to the association by

ORANGE A. C. TO PLAY LACROSSE. Orange, N. J., March 9 (Special).-The Orange Athletic Club has decided to put a lacrosse team in the field, and the opening game will be played on April 12 with the College of the City of New-York. On April 13 a game will be played with Columbia University, and on April 28 with Stevens Institute. Other games are being arranged for with Harvard, the University of Pennsylvania, Hobart College and the Crescent A. C. of Brooklyn.